

Remark

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 1, 11 and 16 have been amended. Claims 3, 8, 13 and 17 have been cancelled. Therefore, claims 1-2, 4-7, 9-12, 14-16 and 17-25 are present for examination.

Response to Arguments

Applicants thank the Examiner for the helpful clarification offered in the Response to Arguments. Applicants also thank the Examiner for the non-finality of the current action.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 3, 6, 13-15, 17, 22, 24 and 25 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The limitations of Claim 3 are incorporated into Claims 1, 11, and 16. Accordingly, these claims and the claims which depend thereon are believed to be allowable as well.

Claim 23 is allowed and remains in the application. Claims 24 and 25 were indicated as allowable, if amended to incorporate Claim 23, however, since Claim 23 is allowed, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 24 and 25, which depend thereon, are also allowable without further amendment.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections have been overcome by the amendment and remark, and that the claims as amended are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the rejections be withdrawn and the claims as amended be allowed.

Invitation for a Telephone Interview

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

Request for an Extension of Time

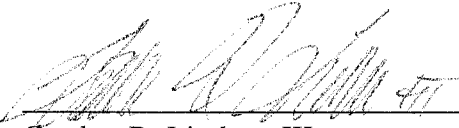
Applicants respectfully petition for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) should one be necessary. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 to cover the necessary fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for such an extension.

Charge our Deposit Account

Please charge any shortage to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,
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